# Total Number of Awards and recognition received for Extension & Outreach activities from Government / recognized bodies received during the Academic year 2022-23

In a remarkable initiative, the Department of Social Work, in collaboration with the NSS and NCC units of St. Aloysius Degree College, joined hands with Aweksha Bengaluru, an NGO dedicated to ending gender-based violence and discrimination, to organize a Blood Donation Camp on November 15, 2022. This camp not only exemplified the spirit of community service but also aimed to provide a lifeline for women who have been victims of domestic violence, acid attacks, or burn injuries by collecting and donating blood.

## Inaugural Function:

The Blood Donation began at 9:30 AM with an inaugural function that brought together students, faculty, NGO representatives, and enthusiastic volunteers. The event commenced with a heartfelt welcome address, highlighting the significance of the camp and the importance of solidarity in addressing gender-based violence and its consequences.

## Blood Donation for a Noble Cause:

The core purpose of this initiative was to collect blood units to be used primarily for women who have suffered from domestic violence, acid attacks, or burn injuries. Often, these victims require significant medical treatment, including blood transfusions. The collected blood would be a crucial resource to ensure that these women receive the care they deserve.

#### Empowering the Vulnerable:

The blood collected during this camp will be directed toward helping poor and marginalized individuals in society who cannot afford blood for burn treatments. By offering this essential resource free of charge, the initiative empowers the vulnerable and ensures that they receive the necessary medical care to recover from their injuries.

## Collaboration with Aweksha Bengaluru:

The partnership with Aweksha Bengaluru, a dedicated NGO focused on eliminating genderbased violence and discrimination, added depth and purpose to the initiative. Aweksha's commitment to creating a safer and more equitable society aligns perfectly with the college's values of social responsibility and community engagement.

#### **Community Impact:**

The impact of this Blood Donation Camp extends beyond the immediate recipients of the donated blood. It symbolizes the college's dedication to social causes and its role in fostering empathy and solidarity within the community. By addressing the specific needs of women who have experienced violence and burn injuries, the initiative seeks to contribute to their physical and emotional healing.

#### Conclusion:

The Blood Donation Camp organized by St. Aloysius Degree College's Department of Social Work, in collaboration with the NSS and NCC units and Aweksha Bengaluru, represents a shining example of social consciousness and humanitarianism. By collecting blood for victims of gender-based violence and burn injuries, the college community exemplifies its commitment to supporting the vulnerable and marginalized in society.

This initiative not only provides vital resources for medical treatment but also sends a powerful message that St. Aloysius Degree College stands firmly against gender-based violence and discrimination. It is a testament to the college's dedication to making a positive impact on society and fostering a culture of compassion, empathy, and social responsibility among its students and staff. Awekska recognised the efforts and presented a certificate of appreciation to the college.

#### (More Information).

